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A PLAYBOOK FOR PRESERVATION: CARING FOR YOUR SPORTS MEMORABILIA THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1 AT 5:30 PM AT THE ARCHIVES

Montgomery, AL (11/21/16) – Staff of the Alabama Department of Archives and History (ADAH) will present *A Playbook for Preservation: Caring for Your Sports Memorabilia* on Thursday, December 1, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the Joseph M. Farley Alabama Power Auditorium at the ADAH. Admission is free.

Have you collected memorabilia from your favorite teams this season or in the past that you want to preserve? Join ADAH Curator Ryan Blocker and Archivist Keri Hallford for guidance and simple tips and tricks to care for your treasured sports memorabilia at home. During the presentation, they will use artifacts and textiles from the ADAH's collection to demonstrate best practices and techniques for preservation and discuss what types of archival supplies are best.

"So many of us have sports-related heirlooms in our closets and attics but are unsure of how to care for them so that they can be passed down to future generations," said Blocker. "We are excited to provide resources and information to the community about how to protect and care for their treasured items."

The public is invited to bring any sports-related memorabilia that they may have questions about preserving. For more information about this event, call (334) 353-4689.

The Alabama Department of Archives and History is located in downtown Montgomery, directly across the street from the State Capitol. It is the state's government records repository, special collections library and research facility, and is home to the Museum of Alabama, the state history museum. The Archives and Museum are open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30. To learn more, visit www.archives.alabama.gov or call (334) 242-4364.

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